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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

The present paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on November 21, 2004, and is accompanied by a request for a two-month extension of time. Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the subsequent remarks and the Declarations submitted herewith under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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